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Attorney General John Ashcroft  
US Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I want to take this opportunity to express my support for the settlement that has been reached in the Microsoft antitrust case. I feel that prolonging this lawsuit will only hinder the future development of business in this nation. This country and its success have been built by the hard work and entrepreneurial spirit of American businesses. This suit chips away at this very foundation.

The settlement that has been reached in this case is fair. Microsoft will design all future versions of Windows to be compatible with the products of its competitors; they have also agreed to cease any action that may be considered retaliatory. The terms will be ensured by a three person technical committee that will monitor Microsoft's compliance with the settlement. This settlement is the best option for America for the simple fact that it will bring this case to a close.

Microsoft is one of this nations largest employers, and continuing this suit is an imprudent move at this time. Thank you for your support of this settlement.

Sincerely,

Maria Eskander